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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2007, the term for response to which expires on November 30, 2007.

## ELECTION

Applicant hereby elects Invention II, Claims 5-9 and 16-20, for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

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Applicants have informed the undersigned that the original inventorship is still correct for the elected subject matter.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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